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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

An Office Action was mailed in the above-captioned patent application on November 21, 2001. In such Office Action pending claims 13-21 were rejected. This Amendment and Remarks document is submitted in response to the Office Action.

AMENDMENT

Please enter the following amendments into the application.

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 22 on page 5 with the following paragraph:

B' Terry *et al.* have disclosed a method of treating vascular disorders by administration of *Xanthoxylum* (*Zanthoxylum*). (Terry *et al.* United States Patent No. 5,562,906, issued October 8, 1996). Terry *et al.* did not disclose any specific compounds from the *Zanthoxylum* that could be used for this purpose. Other reported uses of extracts from the *Zanthoxylum* genus include use in herbal compositions (Japanese Patent No. 07324039JP, 1995); use in herbal powders for the

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